COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Friday, the *17th of February 1933.* / *6th of Kumbham 1108.*

The House met at half-past eleven of the Clock with the President in the Chair. Messrs. K. G. Nayar, K. Mohamed Seethi, T. Narayana Menon, C. A. Ouseph, Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan and Mrs. Swaris were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Community-war statement of applications and petitions received and disposed of by the Acting Diwan.

313. Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of applications and petitions received by the Government after the assumption of office by the acting Diwan from each of the following communities—Brahmins, Nayars, Christians, Ezhuvas and others;

(2) the number of such of those applications and petitions as have been

(a) favourably disposed of;

(b) unfavourably disposed of; and

(c) pending disposal from each of the above mentioned communities?

Rama Varmha Tampuran—(1) and (2). A statement containing the information is appended. (*Appendix I*).

Grant of special allowances by the Acting Diwan.

314. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any officer or officers were given special allowances by the present acting Diwan;

(b) the names of the officers to whom such allowances have been given and the reason for giving them the same?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) Vide statement appended. (*Appendix II*).

Widening of Nadupanthy in Kunnamkulam.

315. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to print and lay on the table a copy of the Proceedings

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of the Diwan of Cochin C. No. 2195/06, dated 21st March 1931 and state:—

(a) whether the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer had made necessary provision for the widening of the Nadupanthy in Kunnamkulam in his budget proposals for 1107; and if not,

(b) whether he had included it in his budget for 1108 submitted to the Government;

(c) whether the Chief Engineer has submitted his report referred to in the second paragraph of the aforesaid proceedings; and if so;

(d) whether a copy of his report will be placed on the table;

(e) whether the Diwan Mr. Herbert was requested in the memorial submitted by the people of Kunnamkulam to sanction widening the Nadupanthy;

(f) whether the Government have not said in reply to question No. 689 answered on the 18th March 1932 that this request has been sanctioned;

(g) whether this was sanctioned by the Diwan Mr. Herbert;

(h) whether his predecessor Mr. Narayana Ayyar had not openly said in the Legislative Council that he had seen the place and sanctioned the work;

(i) whether the aforesaid request of the people sanctioned by the Government has been carried into effect; and if not,

(j) what steps have been or are being taken by the Director of Public Health to translate into action the orders passed by the Government sanctioning this work;

(k) whether since the inauguration of the Council more than thirty interpellations referring to this subject have been answered in this Council; and if not,

(l) how many times they have been answered and on what dates and the names of the officers who answered them?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—A copy of the Proceedings is appended. (*Appendix III (1)*).

(a) Yes.

(b) Does not arise in view of answer to (a).

(c) Yes.

(d) A copy of the report is appended. (*Appendix III (2)*.)

(e) Yes.

(f) Yes.

(g) Yes.

(h) It has not been possible to verify the statement.

(i) No.

(j) For want of sufficient funds no action is being taken

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(k) and (l) Some interpellations have been put and answered. It has not been possible to find out the exact number.

Average price of paddy in the markets of the State.

316. **Mr. Elkkanda Warrier.**—Will the Government be pleased to give the average price of paddy in the principal markets of the State for the last 10 years?

Rao Bahadur Mr T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—A statement containing the information is appended (*Appendix IV*).

Withdrawal of recognition of the Gothuruthy High School.

317. **Mr. T.A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the recognition of the Gothuruthy High School was withdrawn by the Director of Public Instruction recently;

(b) if so, when;

(c) and what were the reasons for the same;

(d) how many times did the Manager disobey the orders of the Director;

(e) has the Manager served any notice on the Director or Government;

(f) if so, will copies of the notice be placed on the table of the House?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) The recognition of the Upper Secondary Department of the school was withdrawn but subsequently the Diwan ordered that this order of the Director of Public Instruction should be held in abeyance.

(b) The order withdrawing the recognition is dated 17th January 1933.

(c) For disobedience of Government and departmental orders.

(d) Four times.

(e) No; but the Manager wanted the First Assistant in charge to serve a notice on the Director of Public Instruction, should he come to conduct the inquiry.

(f) Copy is appended. (*Appendix V*).

Mr. T. A Ramachandra Ayyar.—When were these students sent out of the school?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I think it was somewhere about Kanni.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—It is stated here that 4 times the Manager refused to obey the orders of the Director. May I know what were these four orders?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Copies of the four orders?

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APPENDIX III—(1).

(Vide answer to Question No. 315).

Proceedings of the Diwan of Cochin.

Development Department.

Read letter S.C. No. 739/06 from the Diwan Peishkar.

Order C.No. 2195/06, dated 21st March 1931.

The Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer may make the necessary provision for the widening of the Nadupanthy in Kunnamkulam in his budget proposals for 1107.

In the meanwhile the Chief Engineer is requested to go into the question and report if the Diwan Peishkar's proposal would satisfy the needs of the locality.

(True extract)

(Sd.) Secretary to the Diwan.

To

The Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer (with copy).
,, Chief Engineer (with copy and sketch) vide C. 1413/04, dated 31st January 1929
,, Diwan Peishkar.

APPENDIX III—(2)

Report C. No. 2715/06, dated 20th July 1931 from the Chief Engineer.
Subject.—Improvements to the Nadupanthy in Kunnamkulam.

I have the honour to report that besides the area recommended to be acquired by the Diwan Peishkar on the eastern side, some little space on the Western side in Survey Nos. 1311/1 and 1361/2 may also be acquired. This space is shown in blue pencil in a separate sketch enclosed. The additional area of the sites will be only 1/5 of a cent. The structures thereon are only verandahs which can be easily removed without damaging the main building to which they are attached. The additional cost of the acquisition of these sites and the structures thereon is reported to be about Rs. 175. If these are also acquired, a bell-mouth junction can be formed and this will facilitate view from all sides.

The sketch is herewith resubmitted.

(True copy)

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